

Response to 2022 challenges: VAT and customs regulation (1/4)

Businesses are forced to immediately respond to the recent changes in the international trade and domestic market landscapes and consider their VAT and customs implications.

We recommend thoroughly examining all decisions made and weighing the possible options to eliminate/mitigate the risk of adverse consequences for your operations and improve their effectiveness.

Events and conditions that are affecting businesses after February 2022 and require the analysis of customs and VAT implications



Economic sanctions impacting imports and exports, shipment and payments under international and domestic contracts



Lower import duties for a wide range of goods



High rouble volatility



Easier conformity and origin confirmation requirements for tariff benefits and labelling purposes



Instability of international supply chains



An increased duty-free threshold for online purchases (from EUR 200 to EUR 1,000 until 1 October 2022)



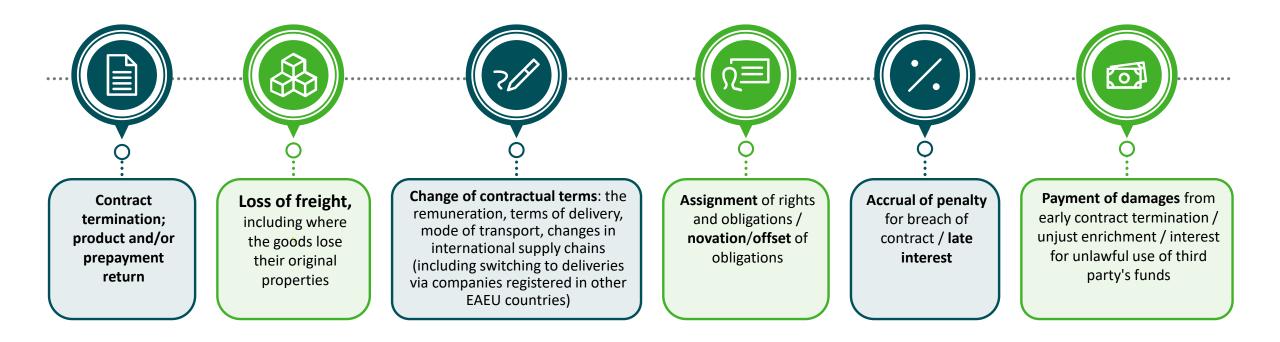
Export bans and permit-based import of some equipment types



Parallel imports permitted for certain goods

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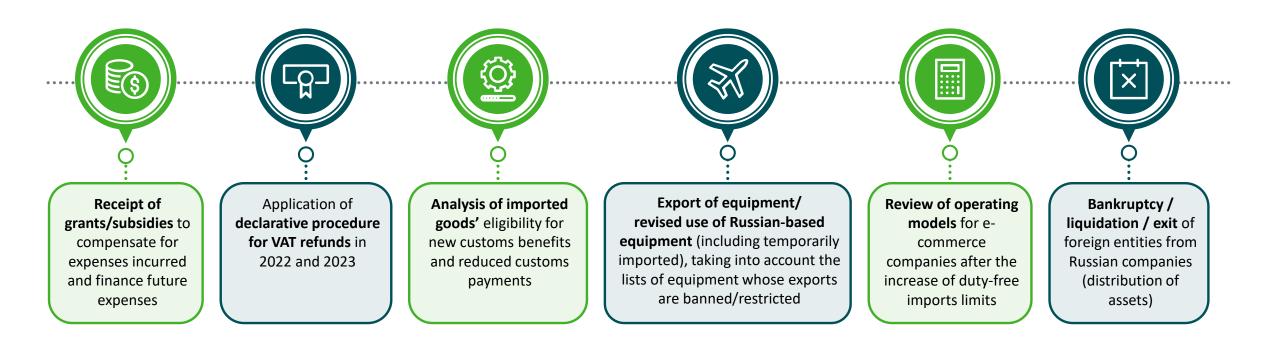


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In the wake of the recent changes in the business and legislative environment, our clients are raising a lot of questions on their VAT and customs implications. Our team of professionals will be happy to provide tailored support with any VAT- and customs-related issues.

VAT-related



Following the decisions made by business, can a company:

- **claim for recovery VAT** accounted for, including as a tax agent, in connection with advance payments receipt?
- justify zero-rating of VAT for relevant transactions?



What rules for VAT recovery/ VAT restore and VAT base calculation must companies consider when seeking grants/subsidies?



What are the options for paying tax by foreign providers of electronic services that are facing restrictive measures, as well as the **risks** for their Russian customers?



How can business decisions be reflected in VAT reporting and what confirmation documents must be in place to eliminate the possible VAT risks? Are there any alternatives to ensure a more favorable effect in terms of VAT?



There are many more tax amendments, including introduction of the zero VAT rate for the tourist industry and the fast-track VAT refund, that we would be happy to update you on.

Customs-related



Are the new benefits, bans, and restrictions applicable to the goods imported and exported by a particular company?



Can a particular company apply for **return of overpaid customs payments, if customs payments rates** were reduced for particular goods?



Can the existing supply chains be transformed, in particular, by engaging companies registered in other EAEU countries?



Customs audits have **not been suspended** and can be initiated for customs declarations filed for the past three years. The customs authorities continue monitoring the customs value (in particular, checking if license fees, intra-group payments, and dividends are included into it) and the correct classification of goods. We support companies during customs audits and help them develop legal approach in customs disputes.

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